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## **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks in response to the Final Office Action dated November 29, 2005, and in light of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, submitted herewith.

Applicants further submit herewith a declaration by Dr. Teicher under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 and a copy of an article, Mehvar et al., *J. Control. Release* 68:53 (2000), describing the hydrolysis kinetics of dextran – methylprednisolone succinate.